# CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

#### MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM NO.

# FOR CHINCHIOLO STEMILT CALIFORNIA, LLC/JT INVESTMENTS FRUIT PROCESSING FACILITY SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY

This monitoring and reporting program (MRP) incorporates requirements for monitoring of the process wastewater, wastewater storage ponds, the land application area, solid waste, and groundwater. This MRP is issued pursuant to Water Code Section 13267. The Discharger shall not implement any changes to this MRP unless and until a revised MRP is issued by the Executive Officer.

All wastewater samples should be representative of the volume and nature of the discharge. The time, date, and location of each grab sample shall be recorded on the sample chain of custody form. Process wastewater flow monitoring shall be conducted continuously using a flow meter and shall be reported in cumulative gallons per day.

Field test instruments (such as pH and dissolved oxygen) may be used provided that:

- 1. The operator is trained in the proper use of the instrument;
- 2. The instruments are field calibrated prior to each use;
- 3. Instruments are serviced and/or calibrated by the manufacturer at the recommended frequency; and
- 4. Field calibration reports are submitted as described in the "Reporting" section of this MRP.

#### INFLUENT MONITORING

Process wastewater samples shall be collected prior to entering the wastewater storage pond. Influent monitoring for the process wastewater system shall include at least the following:

<b>Constituents</b>	<u>Units</u>	Type of Sample	Sampling Frequency	Reporting Frequency
Flow	gallons	Metered	Daily <sup>1</sup>	Monthly
$\mathrm{BOD_5}^2$	mg/L	Grab	Monthly	Monthly
Chlorine	mg/L	Grab	Weekly <sup>3</sup>	Monthly

Continuous monitoring requires daily meter reading or automated data collection.

#### WASTEWATER POND MONITORING

Samples shall be collected from an established sampling station located in an area that will provide a sample representative of the water in each wastewater storage pond. Freeboard shall be measured vertically from the surface of the pond water to the lowest elevation of the surrounding berm and shall be measured to the nearest 0.1 feet. Monitoring of each pond shall include, at a minimum, the following:

<u>Constituent</u>	<u>Units</u>	Type of Sample	Sampling Frequency	Reporting Frequency
Dissolved Oxygen <sup>1</sup>	mg/L	Grab	Weekly	Monthly

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Five-day, 20° Celsius Biochemical Oxygen Demand.

Weekly chlorine samples can be measured with a field measurement device as provided above. At least one of the samples shall be submitted to a California licensed laboratory for confirmatory analysis per month.

<u>Constituent</u>	<u>Units</u>	Type of Sample	Sampling Frequency	Reporting Frequency
Freeboard	feet (±0.1)	Measurement	Weekly	Monthly
pН	pH Units	Grab	Weekly	Monthly
Odors		Observation	Weekly	Monthly

Samples shall be collected at a depth of one foot from each pond in use, opposite the inlet. Samples shall be collected between 0700 and 0900 hours.

#### POND EFFLUENT MONITORING

Process wastewater samples shall be collected from the pond prior to discharge to the land application areas. If wastewater is being discharged to land application areas from both ponds, then both ponds shall be sampled. Monitoring shall include, at a minimum, the following:

Constituent	<u>Units</u>	Type of Sample	Sampling <u>Frequency</u>	Reporting <u>Frequency</u>
Flow <sup>1</sup>	Metered	Continuous	Continuous	Monthly
pН	pH units	Grab	Weekly	Monthly
$\mathrm{BOD_5}^2$	mg/L	Grab	Monthly	Monthly
Nitrate as Nitrogen	mg/L	Grab	Monthly	Monthly
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	mg/L	Grab	Monthly	Monthly
Total Dissolved Solids	mg/L	Grab	Monthly	Monthly
Volatile Dissolved Solids	mg/L	Grab	Monthly	Monthly
Trihalomethanes <sup>3</sup>	$\mu$ g/L	Grab	Monthly	Monthly

Continuous monitoring requires daily meter reading or automated data collection and shall define the volume of wastewater discharged to each land application area from the wastewater pond.

#### LAND APPLICATION AREA MONITORING

The Discharger shall monitor process wastewater discharged for irrigation to the land application areas. Loading rates for the land application areas shall be calculated. Monitoring of the land application areas shall include the following:

Constituent	Units	Type of	Sampling	Reporting
Constituent	Onits	<u>Sample</u>	<b>Frequency</b>	<b>Frequency</b>
Wastewater Flow <sup>1</sup>	Gallons	Continuous <sup>1</sup>	Daily	Monthly
Supplemental Irrigation Flow	Gallons	Continuous <sup>1</sup>	Daily	Monthly
Local Rainfall	Inches	Measurement	Daily	Monthly
Acreage Applied <sup>2</sup>	Acres	Calculated	Daily	Monthly
Application Rate	gal/acre•day	Calculated	Daily	Monthly
BOD Loading Rate	lbs/acre•month	Calculated	Daily	Monthly
Total Nitrogen Loading Rate <sup>3</sup>	lbs/acre•month <sup>4</sup>	Calculated	Monthly	Monthly
TDS Loading Rate	lbs/acre•month <sup>4</sup>	Calculated	Monthly	Monthly

<sup>1</sup> Continuous monitoring requires daily meter reading or automated data collection and shall define the volume of

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Trihalomethanes by EPA Method 524.2 or equivalent.

wastewater discharged to each land application area from the wastewater pond.

- Land Application Area(s) in use shall be identified by name or number and the acreage provided. If a portion of an area is used, then the acreage shall be estimated. A map identifying land application areas shall be included in monitoring reports.
- <sup>3</sup> Total nitrogen applied from all sources, including fertilizers and supplemental irrigation water if used.

<sup>4</sup> Report monthly total and cumulative annual to date.

**Daily** when wastewater is being applied to the land application areas, the entire application area shall be inspected to identify any equipment malfunction or other circumstance that might allow irrigation runoff to leave the area and/or create ponding conditions that violate the Waste Discharge Requirements. Evidence of erosion, field saturation, runoff, or the presence of nuisance conditions shall be noted in the report. A log of these inspections shall be kept at the facility and be submitted with the monthly monitoring reports. If wastewater was not applied to the land application area, then the monthly monitoring reports shall so state.

#### **SOLIDS MONITORING**

The Discharger shall record and report monthly the quantity, disposal location, and method of disposal of solids disposed of during each processing season, as well as during the off-season, if applicable. If solid waste is shipped offsite, then an estimated amount and location of disposal shall be reported in the monthly report and the hauler identified.

#### **GROUNDWATER MONITORING**

Prior to construction and/or sampling of any groundwater monitoring wells, the Discharger shall submit plans and specifications to the Board for approval. Once installed, all new wells shall be added to the monitoring network and shall be sampled and analyzed according to the schedule below. All samples shall be collected using approved EPA methods. Water table elevations shall be calculated to determine groundwater gradient and direction of flow.

Prior to sampling, the groundwater elevations shall be measured and the wells shall be purged at least three well volumes until temperature, pH, and electrical conductivity have stabilized. Depth to groundwater shall be measured to the nearest 0.01 feet. Groundwater monitoring shall include, at a minimum, the following:

		Type of	Sampling	Reporting
Constituent	<u>Units</u>	<u>Sample</u>	<u>Frequency</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Depth to Groundwater	±0.01 feet	Measurement	Quarterly	Quarterly
Groundwater Elevation <sup>1</sup>	$\pm 0.01$ feet	Calculated	Quarterly	Quarterly
Gradient	feet/feet	Calculated	Quarterly	Quarterly
Gradient Direction	Degrees	Calculated	Quarterly	Quarterly
pH	pH units	Grab	Quarterly	Quarterly
Nitrate as Nitrogen	mg/L	Grab	Quarterly	Quarterly
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	mg/L	Grab	Quarterly	Quarterly
<b>Total Dissolved Solids</b>	mg/L	Grab	Quarterly	Quarterly
Trihalomethanes <sup>3,4,5</sup>	μg/L	Grab	Quarterly <sup>5</sup>	Annual

		Type of	Sampling	Reporting
Constituent	<u>Units</u>	<u>Sample</u>	<u>Frequency</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Standard Minerals <sup>2,3</sup>	mg/L	Grab	Annual	Annual

Groundwater elevation shall be determined based on depth-to-water measurements from a surveyed measuring point elevation on the well.

<sup>4</sup> Trihalomethanes by EPA Method 524.2 or equivalent.

#### REPORTING

In reporting monitoring data, the Discharger shall arrange the data in tabular form so that the date, sample type (e.g., influent monitoring, groundwater monitoring well, etc.), and reported analytical result for each sample are readily discernible. The data shall be summarized in such a manner to clearly illustrate compliance with waste discharge requirements and spatial or temporal trends, as applicable. The results of any monitoring done more frequently than required at the locations specified in the Monitoring and Reporting Program shall be reported in the next scheduled monitoring report.

As required by the California Business and Professions Code Sections 6735, 7835, and 7835.1, all groundwater monitoring reports shall be prepared under the supervision of a registered professional engineer or geologist and signed by the registered professional.

## A. Monthly Monitoring Reports

Monthly reports shall be submitted to the Regional Board by the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the second month following the end of the reporting period (i.e. the January monthly report is due by 1 March). Monthly reports for the months of March, June, September, and December may be submitted as part of the Quarterly Monitoring Report, if desired. The monthly reports shall include the following:

- 1. Results of influent, wastewater pond, pond effluent, land application area, and solids monitoring;
- 2. A comparison of monitoring data to the discharge specifications and an explanation of any violation of those requirements. Data shall be presented in tabular format;
- 3. If requested by staff, copies of laboratory analytical report(s);
- 4. A calibration log verifying calibration of all hand held monitoring instruments and devices used to comply with the prescribed monitoring program;
- 5. The cumulative volume of wastewater generated during the year to date;
- 6. The total pounds of total dissolved solids (year to date) that have been applied to the land application area, as calculated from the sum of monthly loadings; and
- 7. The total pounds of nitrogen (year to date, from all sources including fertilizer) applied to the land application area as calculated from the sum of monthly loadings.

Standard Minerals shall include at least the following compounds: boron, calcium, iron, magnesium, potassium, sodium, chloride, sulfate, total alkalinity (including alkalinity series), and hardness.

Standard Minerals and trihalomethanes shall be analyzed in the first quarter of the year.

Initially, samples for trihalomethane analysis shall be collected quarterly for eight quarters, then the sample collection frequency shall be reduced to annual.

# **B.** Quarterly Report

The Discharger shall establish a quarterly sampling schedule for groundwater monitoring such that samples are obtained approximately every three months. Quarterly monitoring reports shall be submitted to the Regional Board by the **1**<sup>st</sup> day of the second month after the quarter (i.e. the January-March quarter is due by May 1<sup>st</sup>) each year. The Quarterly Report shall include the following:

- 1. Results of groundwater monitoring;
- 2. A narrative description of all preparatory, monitoring, sampling, and analytical testing activities for the groundwater monitoring. The narrative shall be sufficiently detailed to verify compliance with the WDR, this MRP, and the Standard Provisions and Reporting Requirements. The narrative shall be supported by field logs for each well documenting depth to groundwater; parameters measured before, during, and after purging; method of purging; calculation of casing volume; and total volume of water purged;
- 3. Calculation of groundwater elevations, an assessment of groundwater flow direction and gradient on the date of measurement, comparison of previous flow direction and gradient data, and discussion of seasonal trends if any;
- 4. A narrative discussion of the analytical results for all groundwater locations monitored including spatial and temporal tends, with reference to summary data tables, graphs, and appended analytical reports (as applicable);
- 5. A comparison of monitoring data to the groundwater limitations and an explanation of any violation of those requirements;
- 6. Summary data tables of historical and current water table elevations and analytical results;
- 7. A scaled map showing relevant structures and features of the facility, the locations of monitoring wells and any other sampling stations, and groundwater elevation contours referenced to mean sea level datum; and
- 8. Copies of laboratory analytical report(s) for groundwater monitoring.

## C. Annual Report

Annual Report shall be prepared as the December monthly monitoring report. The Annual Report shall be submitted to the Regional Board by **1 February** each year. In addition to the data normally presented, the Annual Report shall include the following:

- 1. The contents of a regular December monthly monitoring report;
- 2. The contents of the regular quarterly monitoring report for the last quarter of the year;
- 3. Annual flow meter calibration documentation:
- 4. Documentation of the off-site ion exchange vessel regeneration. The documentation shall be sufficient to determine where the vessel was hauled for regeneration and what company is performing that service.

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- 5. If requested by staff, tabular and graphical summaries of all data collected during the year;
- 6. Tabular and graphical summaries of historical monthly total loading rates for wastewater generation, process water used for irrigation (hydraulic loading in gallons and inches), total nitrogen, and total dissolved solids.
- 7. A comprehensive evaluation of the effectiveness of the past year's wastewater application operation in terms of odor control and groundwater protection, including consideration of application management practices (i.e.: waste constituent and hydraulic loadings, application cycles, drying times, and cropping practices), and groundwater monitoring data;
- 8. A summary of the quantity of solid waste generated and disposed of both on and off the site;
- 9. An evaluation of the groundwater quality beneath the land application area. The evaluation shall include presentation and discussion of the analytes collected once per year (standard minerals and trihalomethanes) as well as all other analytes required by the MRP;
- 10. Estimated flows for the next calendar year;
- 11. A discussion of compliance and corrective actions taken, as well as any planned or proposed actions needed to bring the discharge into full compliance with the waste discharge requirements; and
- 12. A discussion of any data gaps and potential deficiencies/redundancies in the monitoring system or reporting program.

A letter transmitting the self-monitoring reports shall accompany each report. Such a letter shall include a discussion of requirement violations found during the reporting period, and actions taken or planned for correcting noted violations, such as operation or facility modifications. If the discharger has previously submitted a report describing corrective actions and/or a time schedule for implementing the corrective actions, reference to the previous correspondence will be satisfactory. The transmittal letter shall contain a statement by the discharger, or the discharger's authorized agent, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of the signer's knowledge the report is true, accurate and complete.

The Discharger shall implement the above monitoring program as of the date of this Order.

Ordered	by:
	THOMAS R. PINKOS, Executive Officer
	(Date)

TRO: 6/1/05